



# Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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For Crop Week Ending Sunday, June 6, 2010

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## CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 4.2  
Soil moisture supplies: 4 % very short, 26 % short, 54% adequate and 16% surplus

**Field Crops Report**  
Thunderstorms and scattered showers fell across much of the state late in the week. Field work slowed down due to heavy rains in some areas. With the warm weather conditions, ninety-two percent of the corn crop reached the silked stage, 26 points ahead of the five-year average. Ten percent of the corn crop reached the dough stage, ten points ahead of the five-year average. Some sorghum fields began to reach the headed stage. Sugarcane and soybeans benefited greatly from the rains late in the week. Sugarcane producers performed lay-by practices as weather permitted. Rice was doing well with excellent growing conditions, and salt problems in the irrigation canals were lessened by timely rains.

**Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops**  
Peaches were beginning to be harvested. Producers continued to harvest greenhouse tomatoes, cucumbers, squash, bell peppers, and eggplants. Some farmers were spraying to control insects and diseases in tomato and pepper fields.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report**  
Pastures were growing well due to improved conditions from recent rainfall. Cattle conditions were rebounding well from poor conditions this past fall followed by a harsh winter and a dry spring. Cattle breeding season continued.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2009	5 YR AVG
Corn	Silked	92	50	65	66
	Dough	10	0	0	0
Cotton	Planted	100	95	100	99
	Emerged	96	81	96	96
	Squaring	27	9	21	15
Hay	First cutting	79	77	68	69
Peaches	Harvested	5	0	0	7
Rice	Emerged	99	99	99	99
Sorghum	Planted	99	98	100	98
	Emerged	98	94	97	96
	Headed	6	0	0	1
Soybeans	Planted	91	84	90	89
	Emerged	83	71	78	82
Sweet Potatoes	Planted	37	24	42	44
Winter Wheat	Harvested	88	56	83	85

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Corn	0	5	22	63	10
Cotton	0	1	28	66	5
Rice	0	0	21	55	24
Sorghum	0	1	48	51	0
Soybeans	1	3	40	52	4
Sugarcane	1	11	39	37	12
Livestock	1	6	35	53	5
Vegetables	2	10	43	42	3
Pasture	2	10	37	45	6

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LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 05/31/10 TO 06/06/10

	AIR				PRECIPITATION			
	MAX	MIN	AVE	NRM	WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	95	70	83	77	0.05	1.39	14.49	24.11
Minden	94	65	81	76	0.22	3.40	15.91	26.47
Mooringsport	(97)	68	82	MM	0.30	3.22	15.60	21.21
Extreme/Average	97	65	82	77	0.19	2.67	15.33	24.65
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	94	68	80	77	0.74	2.31	13.43	27.45
Homer/Hill Farm	94	65	79	75	0.03	1.75	18.29	26.36
ULM-Monroe	93	70	82	77	0.81	2.89	16.22	29.19
Columbia Lock	94	(64)	79	MM	1.01	4.15	14.20	29.91
Extreme/Average	94	64	80	77	0.53	2.32	15.98	27.77
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	90	67	80	77	0.00	2.04	14.94	30.36
LSU-St Joseph	92	70	80	78	0.18	1.54	17.51	29.30
LSU-Winnsboro	93	67	80	77	0.62	2.99	14.11	28.67
Tallulah	92	68	79	77	0.79	4.11	17.77	29.84
Extreme/Average	93	67	80	78	0.40	2.67	16.08	29.43
4. West-Central								
Leesville	94	66	80	77	0.65	2.04	13.92	26.62
LSU-Rosepine	95	65	80	77	2.22	3.70	17.35	26.39
Natchitoches	96	67	83	78	0.85	1.66	13.71	26.83
Extreme/Average	96	65	81	77	1.24	2.47	13.92	26.52
5. Central								
Alexandria	94	69	81	79	2.51	4.65	18.07	28.03
Brusly	MM	MM	MM	78	M.MM	M.MM	MM.MM	28.12
Bunkie	92	70	80	78	5.44	7.55	23.91	29.97
LSU-Alexandria	91	68	80	78	4.51	6.44	20.70	26.96
Extreme/Average	94	68	80	78	4.15	6.21	20.89	28.31
6. East-Central								
Franklinton 5SW	92	67	78	MM	4.36	5.78	21.74	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	90	69	78	78	5.87	11.12	22.11	27.53
Amite	91	67	77	77	4.90	8.12	23.85	31.30
LSU-Hammond	MM	MM	MM	78	0.19	2.27	15.55	28.88
Slidell	89	69	79	78	2.16	5.14	24.78	28.80
Extreme/Average	92	67	78	78	4.32	7.54	23.12	29.87
7. Southwest								
Deridder	93	68	80	78	1.75	3.08	19.41	26.87
Jennings	91	70	80	78	1.77	4.86	16.08	25.15
LSU-Crowley	90	70	80	79	2.72	7.01	16.27	26.00
Extreme/Average	93	68	80	79	2.08	4.98	17.25	25.43
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	89	68	78	79	3.96	6.03	18.52	26.24
LSU-Jeanerette	89	69	79	78	3.49	6.02	17.15	25.09
Morgan City	89	68	78	78	1.38	3.24	12.02	25.58
Extreme/Average	89	68	79	79	2.94	5.10	15.90	25.74
9. Southeast								
Galliano	89	68	79	79	1.00	3.81	21.10	27.27
Houma	91	70	80	79	0.95	3.03	15.49	25.87
Terrytown 3S	93	71	81	MM	1.22	8.82	25.50	MM.MM
Reserve	MM	MM	MM	78	0.31	5.16	11.61	29.02
Extreme/Average	93	68	80	79	1.06	5.22	20.70	27.15
State								
State Averages	97	64	80	78	2.01	4.55	18.11	27.28

M = Missing ( ) = Extremes Yr. to Date = Through June 6, 2010

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